



CONTINUATION-IN-PART
DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"INTEGRAL SPECIAL SERVICE MAILING ASSEMBLY AND A METHOD FOR USING SAME"

Case No. USA-P-99-012 the specification of which

is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 08/855,030, filed on May 13, 1997, now allowed, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/425,578, now U.S. patent No. 5,697,648.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent Office all information known to me, which information is material to the examination of this application, in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56(a)¹. I also acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application on May 13, 1997, and now allowed and the filing date of this continuation-in-part application.

As to the subject matter of this application which is common to U.S. Serial No. 08/855,030, filed on May 13, 1997, now allowed, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/425,578, now U.S. patent No. 5,697,648, I do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or

¹(b) Under this section, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made of record in the application, and

(1) It establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a *prima facie* case of unpatentability of a claim;

or

(2) It refutes, or is inconsistent with, a position the applicant takes in:

(i) Opposing an argument of unpatentability relied on by the Office, or

(ii) Asserting an argument of unpatentability.

A *prima facie* case of unpatentability is established when the information compels a conclusion that a claim is unpatentable under the preponderance of evidence, burden-of-proof standard, giving each term in the claim its broadest reasonable construction consistent with the specification, and before any consideration is given to evidence which may be submitted in an attempt to establish a contrary conclusion of patentability.

patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to the earlier application, I believe that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this earlier application, and I believe that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this earlier application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this earlier application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this earlier application by me or my legal representatives or assigns, except as identified below.

As to the subject matter of this application which is not common to U.S. Serial No. 08/855,030, filed on May 13, 1997, now allowed, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/425,578, now U.S. patent No. 5,697,648, I do not know and do not believe this invention was ever known or used in the United States of America before my or our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before my or our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, I believe that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, and I believe that the invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by me or my legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application, and that no application for patent or inventor's certificate on this invention has been filed in any country foreign to the United States of America prior to this application by me or my legal representatives or assigns, except as identified below.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below:

| Prior Foreign Application(s) | | |
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| Number | Country | Date |

and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the above listed application on which priority is claimed:

| Prior Foreign Application(s) | | |
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| Number | Country | Date |

If no priority is claimed, I have identified all foreign



patent applications filed prior to this application:

| Number | Prior Foreign Application(s) | Country | Date |
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And I hereby appoint Brian M. Mattson, Registration No. 35,018 of the firm of Patents+ TMS having an office at 1914 North Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, IL 60647 as my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and direct that all correspondence be forwarded to:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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